GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ASSESSING THE DAMAGE CROP
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose take village as a unit for assessing the damage of crops for crop insurance instead of block as a unit;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b): As per the provisions the National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) is required to be implemented by the States/Union Territories at smaller unit of insurance i.e. Gram Panchayat (GP) within a period of three years.Keeping in view the difficulties of the implementing States/UTs for undertaking requisite number of Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) at GP level, it has been decided to make assessment of the yield rates at GP level through an alternative method called `Small Area Crop Estimation Approach` devised by Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI) on an experimental basis. The new approach will enable scaling down the yield rates available at higher unit of insurance (i.e. at block/district) to GP level without conducting CCEs.

(c): Does not arise.